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TEN CENTS A WEEK

DENVER PROGRAM

Business For the National Convention.

MAY BE 4 SESSIONS

Session for President Will Probably Be Made on Thursday, Then Government, and the Nomination of President on Friday.

Denver, Colo., July 6.—The committee on arrangements of the national convention met and completed the order of business for the convention for the session of the national committee to be held on Monday. The convention program is outlined for sessions, beginning next day. This will carry the convention through to Friday afternoon, unless the committee or on the other hand should prolong the deliberations. It is proposed that an adjournment shall be taken immediately after the temporary organization is perfected, out of respect to the memory of the late Mr. Cleveland, although this feature does not appear on the formal program. The program for first day.

The first day's order of business is as follows:

- Chairman Taggart, of the national committee, calls the convention to order at noon.
- Secretary Woodson reads call to convention.
- Prayer by Archbishop James J. Connelley.
- Announcement of temporary officers agreed upon by the national committee.
- Chairman asks for further nominations.
- No further nominations, chairman puts question on agreeing to the recommendations of the national committee.
- Chairman appoints committee of delegates to escort Temporary Chairman Theodore A. Bell, of California, to chair.
- 2—Introduction and speech by temporary chairman.
- 3—Call of states for members of the following committees: Credentials, permanent organization, rules and order of business, platform, and resolutions.
- 4—Probable adjournment or recess.
- It is expected that the Cleveland resolutions, as finally agreed upon, will be introduced just before adjournment.

Second Day's Program.

For the second session of the convention on Wednesday, the program for the permanent organization, the address of the permanent chairman, and the receipt and adoption of committee reports.

The nominations for president will be made Thursday, and it is planned to adjourn after this is settled until Friday morning, when the nominations for vice president will be in order.

MANY KILLED IN PARAGUAY.

Revolution is Said to Have Broken Out Recently.

Buenos Ayres, July 6.—The latest advices received from private resources at Formosa, in the northeastern part of Argentina, say that there has been sanguinary fighting in the streets of Asuncion, the capital of Paraguay, where a revolution is said to have broken out recently and that hundreds of persons have been killed or wounded.

Edward C. O'Brien, the United States minister to Paraguay and Uruguay, and Harry B. Owsley, Jr., secretary of the legation, both are in Asuncion.

Communication by telegraph and telephone with Asuncion has been cut and consequently there are conflicting rumors of a sensational character current here.

Hoots for the Mutineers.

Brest, July 6.—A mutiny in the local barracks was quelled by the use of fire hose, and a score of soldiers are now confined in the barracks under guard.

INTEREST IS RENEWED.

Selection of a Republican National Chairman.

Washington, July 6.—Renewed interest in the matter of the selection of a republican national chairman was aroused by the presence in Washington, D. C., of W. L. Ward, of New York and Frank B. Kellogg, of Minnesota. They are the members of the republican national committee from their respective states and both are members of the sub-committee appointed to confer with Judge Taft on the question of the national chairmanship.

They were no more communicative than they were a night previous on their arrival in this city.

While a tentative determination of the matter may have been reached in the course of the numerous conferences which Judge Taft has held with friends since he returned to Washington, it is quite certain that no hard and fast agreement has been evolved from the conferences. It is known that Mr. Kellogg, who has been in New York and in Oyster Bay since he last conferred with Judge Taft personally, has been in long distance telephone communication with Judge Taft respecting the chairmanship. Reiteration is made of the statement that no intimation of an official nature will be permitted to become public concerning the selection of a chairman until after the meeting of the sub-committee with Judge Taft at Hot Springs next Wednesday.

BIRDS CARRIED MESSAGE.

Sailors Saved After Many Weary Days of Suffering.

Victoria, B. C., July 6.—While sending a farewell message in a quill attached to the neck of an albatross, one of the series of daily messages recounting briefly the story of the wreck on Antipodes Island of the French bark, President Felix Faure, twenty-two starving French sailors were rescued by the British warship Pegasus and brought to Sydney.

The castaways, who lived a Crusoe life, fashioning their utensils in the same resourceful way as the maroon of Juan Fernandez, south of New Zealand, near where survivors of the British bark, Dundonald, were rescued months before, after their vessel had been driven to shore during a fog in March last, and had almost given up hope of rescue when the British warship was sighted.

The men were ravenous when rescued, having been on short rations for some time.

THE BORDER SITUATION.

Washington Making Efforts to Learn All Facts.

Washington, July 6.—The state department officials are making every effort to learn the facts connected with the border situation in order to be prepared to answer the complaint that is expected to be filed by Ambassador Creel as soon as he arrives in Washington next week, to the effect that some of the Texas officials have not lived up to the requirements of the neutrality laws.

The department believes that the Texans have actually done all they could in restraining the departure of revolutionists across the border, considering the great extent of the territory to be guarded and bearing in mind the fact that the states generally have come to look to the national government for such international police duty.

Oxford University Endowment.

London, July 6.—The Oxford university endowment fund, which was inaugurated by Lord Curzon on his election to the chancellorship, has reached \$500,000, and W. W. Astor has given his second donation of \$50,000, which he promised on March 12. Mr. Astor's total donation amounts to \$100,000.

Good News for the Thirsty.

Paducah, Ky., July 6.—Saloonkeepers are rejoicing as the result of a fierce war between brewery agents and the local brewery, caused by the rebating. Cases beer has been cut from 22.50 to 11.50 barrels from \$5 to \$5, and half barrels from \$4 to \$2.50. Much lower prices are in prospect.

NOTED AUTHOR DEAD

Joel Chandler Harris Is Called to the Beyond.

KNOWN AS "UNCLE REMUS"

In the Death of Mr. Harris, the South Has Lost One of Its Most Brilliant Contributors to Literature—Had a World-Wide Reputation.

Atlanta, July 6.—Joel Chandler Harris, journalist and author of the Uncle Remus stories, died Friday night at 8 o'clock at his home in West End.

The noted author was surrounded by all the members of his family, who had realized for several days that death was inevitable. He was totally unconscious for twelve hours preceding his death.

Realizing that the end was near, Uncle Remus was genial and resolute. He made no attempt to conceal his belief concerning himself from the



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members of his family. His irrepressible humor, his indomitable good spirits never deserted him. The old playful, whimsical manner in his intercourse with the family was preserved until he sank into final unconsciousness.

Friends Were Anxious.

Since the first publication of the news that Uncle Remus was desperately ill, his friends throughout the city and in all parts of the country have besieged the house for news of the patient's condition. During his life-time many of the most notable people of the world have sought the quiet little home in West End to see the genial philosopher and the gentle humorist whose work has so enriched American literature. His house was one of the places of national interest. To it men of every profession and degree of prominence made pilgrimage while in Atlanta.

During the past two days hundreds of callers have visited "Snap Bean Farm" in sadness. Scores of telegrams from friends and admirers all throughout the state and nation have been received containing expressions of sympathy and affection.

Joel Chandler Harris had his first taste of newspaper life on the Countryman, a weekly newspaper published by Joseph Addison Turner, on his plantation 2 miles from Kinston, in the county of Putnam.

After leaving the plantation he was engaged in newspaper work in Savannah, Macon and New Orleans. He practiced law at Forsyth, Ga., at the same time doing editorial work.

The "Uncle Remus" Series.

He joined the staff of the Atlanta Constitution in 1875, and it was through his connection with this paper that he entered upon the work which has made him famous wherever the English tongue is spoken. In the files of the Atlanta Constitution will be found much of his best work, both serious and humorous. In addition to his able editorial contribution there appear the first of the Uncle Remus stories, which were later collected and published in book form.

Before Uncle Remus took up this work a series of dialect stories by Sam W. Johnson, who was active under the sobriquet "Old Si," had been a regular and attractive feature of the paper. When these ceased Captain Evan P. Howell, then editor of the paper, urged Mr. Harris to carry on the feature. The latter demurred, declaring he had never done any dialect writing in his life. Captain Howell insisted, however, and told Mr. Harris he could easily make a big success of the work. Racking his brains, Mr. Harris thought of one of the old folk-lore stories that had been told him on the plantation in Putnam county. This he reduced to writing, using the negro dialect, and published it under the name of Uncle Remus. Other stories followed. They made an instantaneous hit.

Known Throughout World.

The series began at that time have since been read throughout the civilized world. From them the author received a generous return in money, in addition to the income from his regular newspaper and magazine work. But better than the material reward, he received the blessings of countless thousands of little children whom he has made happy.

Mr. Harris leaves a wife and several children. The children are Julian Harris, formerly managing editor of the Atlanta Constitution and now managing editor of Uncle Remus Magazine; Lucien Harris, who is connected with the office of the county tax collector; Evelyn Harris, formerly city editor of the Atlanta Constitution and now connected with the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph company in Atlanta; Mrs. Fred Wagener, Jr., J. C. Harris, Jr., and Miss Mildred Harris.

The funeral services occurred Sunday at St. Anthony's Catholic church in West End. Mr. Harris was buried in the Catholic faith a week before his death.

MIGHT NOT BE A CANDIDATE.

Declares He is a Democrat and Will Remain One.

Atlanta, July 6.—"I have no idea of running for president on the national prohibition ticket," said Seaborn Wright, of Floyd county, Friday. He was leaving Atlanta for Athens, O., where he will deliver an address.

"I am a democrat," he continued, "and expect to stay one."

Chairman Jones, of the national prohibition party, was in Atlanta Thursday and intimated that Mr. Wright might be offered the nomination.

Will Ask to Punish Officials.

City of Mexico, July 6.—Mexico will ask the United States to punish severely the local authorities at Del Rio, Tex., and possibly others of the state under whose authority they acted on the ground that the officers knowingly failed in their duty by allowing persons who partook in the Lascruces raid to return to the Texas side of the river and to bring with them their weapons.

Punishment may also be asked for the authorities and police of Del Rio, for allowing meetings to be held there for the purpose of fomenting and planning raids, murder and robbery in Mexico.

Monument to Crawford.

Atlanta, July 6.—To erect upon the capitol grounds in the city of Atlanta a monument to William H. Crawford at an expense of \$15,000 is the object of a bill introduced in the house Friday by Mr. Brown, of Oglethorpe. William H. Crawford was United States senator from Georgia, secretary of the United States treasury, minister to France and a distinguished orator. His body lies in the cemetery at Crawford, Oglethorpe county. The bill provides for a commission to purchase the monument and have it erected.

Sixty-Two Auto Fatalities.

Boston, Mass., July 6.—Automobiles killed sixty-two citizens of this state in the past twelve months. Among the persons known to have been injured in that period 640 sustained serious injuries.

Banks Asked for \$45,000,000.

Washington, July 6.—Secretary of the Treasury Cortelyou has announced a further call upon the national bank depositors for approximately \$45,000,000 to be paid on or before the 15th instant.

THIS IS GOOD NEWS

A Big Surplus is in Uncle Sam's Bank Instead of Deficit.

REPORTS ARE CORRECTED

Statement issued by the Treasury Department Shows that the Finances of the United States Are in Better Condition Than Supposed.

Washington, July 6.—In a statement issued by the treasury department Friday it is stated that "altho treasury statements show a deficit in round numbers of \$60,000,000 in the operations of the government during the fiscal year just closed, the deficit is more apparent than real, being due to antiquated system of book-keeping which Secretary Cortelyou is having overhauled and modernized.

Considering the ordinary receipts of the government, there is not only no deficit, but a surplus. The amount of new debts created during the year was only \$7,000,000 in excess of the amount of the old debts redeemed; and \$85,000,000 was expended in new public works, of which less than half was paid for by the creation of a funded debt.

Two of the fundamental errors in the present system of making up the treasury statements for the proceeds for bonds sold are not counted in the receipts, but all the money which is paid out for the purposes for which the bonds are issued is included in expenditures. In this respect the practice of the United States treasury departs from that of all other important governments.

Secretary Cortelyou has had under consideration for some time the thorough revision of the treasury statements with a view to making them represent accurately and in easily understood form the exact condition of the government's finances.

SPLIT MAY COME.

Action of State Committee May Intensify Feeling in Tennessee.

Nashville, Tenn., July 6.—The democratic state executive committee met here and adopted a resolution instructing the counties in which Patterson got a majority of the votes in the recent primary to send solid delegations-instructed for Patterson for governor to the state convention, which meets here on July 14 and those counties carried by Carmack to send solid Carmack delegations. This action was taken because of the rumor that some of the counties would not carry out their instructions.

The action of the committee, it is believed, will intensify the already bitter feeling existing between the Patterson and Carmack factions, and may ultimately result in a split in the convention. The Carmack people contend that the instructions already given delegates are sufficient. The Patterson forces fear that the Carmack people will organize the convention and insert a state-wide prohibition plank in the platform.

Bucket Shops Prohibited.

New Orleans, July 6.—The senate of the Louisiana legislature has passed a law prohibiting bucket shops in the state of Louisiana, the measure being the one offered by the cotton exchange people in substitution for the Morrison bill to prohibit dealing in cotton futures, which is expected to be killed when it comes up.

Death of Mrs. Lanham.

Waco, Tex., July 6.—Mrs. W. T. Lanham, wife of former Governor Lanham, died suddenly Wednesday at the town of Weatherford. Governor Lanham has been in bad health for the past two years and it thought worthy over her husband's condition hastened the death of Mrs. Lanham.

370 Killed in Massacre.

St. Petersburg, July 6.—A massacre is on at Tabriz, Persia, and the city is being sacked by the soldiers of the shah, according to authentic dispatches received here. Before beginning the massacre, 370 persons were killed and 700 wounded.